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Cooperation in Renewable Energy Sector
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up any cooperation in renewable energy field between the Energy Research Centre of Netherlands, National Institute of Solar Energy and SardarSwaran Singh National Institute of Renewable Energy including in biomass gasification technology, developing standards and specifications;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) the details of projects to be taken up with the cooperation and participation of these institutes; and
(d) the details of the funds involved in each project along with the manner in which the required funds would be arranged for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b): India and Netherlands signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), to enhance cooperation in Renewable Energy during February 2014. Discussions between India and the Netherlands were held about possible areas of cooperation with Energy Research Centre (ECN) of Netherlands for setting up of solar photovoltaic module performance testing facility at National Institute of Solar Energy. Presently, no cooperation have been planned with Sardar Swaran Singh National Institute of Renewable Energy.
(c)&(d): The cooperation with the Netherlands helps in setting up of advanced biomass gasification project of 1 MW in Maharashtra using Soyabean Husk in association with Energy Research Centre of Netherlands (ECN) and M/s Thermax Ltd., Pune. Out of the total project cost of Rs.13.50 crores, the Ministry provided Rs.1.80 crore under UNDP / GEF Biomass Power Project and the balance cost is being met by the project developer.
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